



Measuring Code Coverage with JaCoCo

▼ Setting Up Code Coverage with JaCoCo

1. Project Setup:

- Clone the `student-exam-registry` app from GitHub
- Ensure your `pom.xml` includes the **JaCoCo plugin**.

Example:

```
<plugin>
  <groupId>org.jacoco</groupId>
  <artifactId>jacoco-maven-plugin</artifactId>
  <version>0.8.7</version>
  <executions>
    <execution>
      <goals>
        <goal>prepare-agent</goal>
      </goals>
    </execution>
    <execution>
      <id>report</id>
    </execution>
  </executions>
</plugin>
```

```

        <phase>test</phase>
        <goals>
            <goal>report</goal>
        </goals>
    </execution>
</executions>
</plugin>

```

2. Run the Code Coverage Analysis:

- Execute the following Maven command:

```
mvn clean test
```

- JaCoCo will automatically generate a coverage report after the tests have run.
3. You don't have to do anything special after adding the plugin—code coverage will run with every test execution.

```

[INFO] --- surefire:2.22.2:test (default-test) @ student-exam-registry ---
[INFO]
[INFO] T E S T S
[INFO]
[INFO] Running com.example.studentregistry.AppTest
[INFO] Tests run: 1, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 0.012 s - in com.example.studentregistry.AppTest
[INFO] Running com.example.studentregistry.StudentRegistryTest
[INFO] Tests run: 2, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 0 s - in com.example.studentregistry.StudentRegistryTest
[INFO] Running com.example.studentregistry.ExamRegistryTest
[INFO] Tests run: 5, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0, Time elapsed: 0.005 s - in com.example.studentregistry.ExamRegistryTest
[INFO]
[INFO] Results:
[INFO]
[INFO] Tests run: 8, Failures: 0, Errors: 0, Skipped: 0
[INFO]
[INFO] --- jacoco:0.8.7:report (report) @ student-exam-registry ---
[INFO] Loading execution data file /Users/eir/Desktop/2425 - CT417/src/student-exam-registry-WK0809/student-exam-registry/target/jacoco.exec
[INFO] Analyzed bundle 'student-exam-registry' with 7 classes

```

▼ Accessing and Interpreting the JaCoCo Report

1. Viewing the Report:

- After the tests complete, navigate to:

```
target/site/jacoco/index.html
```

- Open the `index.html` file in a browser to view the coverage results.

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student-exam-registry

Element	Missed Instructions	Cov.	Missed Branches	Cov.	Missed	Cxty	Missed	Lines	Missed	Methods	Missed	Classes
com.example.studentregistry		85%		85%	10	29	13	54	8	22	1	7
Total	29 of 202	85%	2 of 14	85%	10	29	13	54	8	22	1	7

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com.example.studentregistry

Element	Missed Instructions	Cov.	Missed Branches	Cov.	Missed	Cxty	Missed	Lines	Missed	Methods	Missed	Cl
Student		52%		n/a	3	5	5	10	3	5	0	
Exam		52%		n/a	3	5	5	10	3	5	0	
App		0%		n/a	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	
ExamRegistry		100%		83%	2	11	0	20	0	5	0	
StudentRegistry		100%		100%	0	4	0	7	0	3	0	
StudentAlreadyRegisteredException		100%		n/a	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	
InvalidScoreException		100%		n/a	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	
Total	29 of 202	85%	2 of 14	85%	10	29	13	54	8	22	1	

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Student

Element	Missed Instructions	Cov.	Missed Branches	Cov.	Missed	Cxty	Missed	Lines	Missed	Methods
setId(String)		0%		n/a	1	1	2	2	1	1
setName(String)		0%		n/a	1	1	2	2	1	1
getName()		0%		n/a	1	1	1	1	1	1
Student(String,String)		100%		n/a	0	1	0	4	0	1
getId()		100%		n/a	0	1	0	1	0	1
Total	11 of 23	52%	0 of 0	n/a	3	5	5	10	3	5

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2. Interpreting the Coverage Report:

- **Instruction Coverage** = Percentage of `bytecode` instructions executed.
- **Branch Coverage** = Percentage of control structures (e.g., `if-else`, `switch`) covered.
- **Complexity** = Measures the cyclomatic complexity of the code (lower complexity is easier to maintain).
- **Missed Lines** = Lines of code not covered by tests.

▼ Analysing the Coverage Results

1. Understanding the Results:

- **For e.g., 85% Code Coverage** (Is it good?)
 - 85% of the instructions are covered by the current test suite.
 - Uncovered branches indicate areas where the logic is not fully tested.
 - **High coverage** is a good sign, but it doesn't always mean the code is perfect.

The Case Against 100% Code Coverage - Codecov

Code coverage is a useful tool to help developers find what lines of code are run. It works by keeping track of code that is run at execution time, either ...

 <https://about.codecov.io/blog/the-case-against-100-code-coverage/>



2. Improvement Opportunities:

- **Missed Branches or Lines:** Use this data to identify untested parts of your code.
- Consider **refactoring** overly complex code (high cyclomatic complexity) to improve maintainability and testability.

▼ Add Unit Tests for **Null** and Invalid Conditions

We wrote the following tests to cover those missing conditions:

1. Test for **Null** Inputs in **StudentRegistry** and **ExamRegistry**

- These tests ensure that **IllegalArgumentException** is thrown if **null** values are passed as inputs for students or exams.

```
// StudentRegistry
@Test
void register_NullStudent_ShouldThrowException() {
    Exception exception = assertThrows(IllegalArgumentException.class,
        () -> studentRegistry.register(null));
    assertEquals("Student must not be null.", exception.getMessage());
}
```

```
// ExamRegistry
@Test
void enrol_NullStudent_ShouldThrowException() {
    Exception exception = assertThrows(IllegalArgumentException.class,
        () -> examRegistry.enrol(null, exam));
    assertEquals("Student and Exam must not be null.", exception.getMessage());
}

@Test
```










```
void enrol_NullExam_ShouldThrowException() {
    Exception exception = assertThrows(InvalidArgumentException.class, () -> {
        examRegistry.enrol(student, null);
    });
    assertEquals("Student and Exam must not be null.", exception.getMessage());
}
```

2. Test for Handling Invalid Exam Scores

- We ensured that an `InvalidScoreException` is thrown if the score is not between 0 and 100.

```
@Test
void recordScore_InvalidScore_ShouldThrowException() {
    examRegistry.enrol(student, exam);
    Exception exception = assertThrows(InvalidScoreException.class, () -> {
        examRegistry.recordScore(student, exam, 150);
    });
    // Invalid score
    assertEquals("Score must be between 0 and 100.", exception.getMessage());
}
```

- We ran `mvn clean test` to execute the updated unit tests.

Element	Missed Instructions	Cov.	Missed Branches	Cov.
Student		52%		n/a
Exam		52%		n/a
App		0%		n/a
ExamRegistry		100%		87%
StudentRegistry		100%		100%
StudentAlreadyRegisteredException		100%		n/a
InvalidScoreException		100%		n/a
Total	29 of 218	86%	2 of 20	90%

- The updated report now shows 86% **code coverage**.
- The missing branches were covered, and we focused on handling edge cases that JaCoCo highlighted as gaps.

▼ Pushing Code Coverage to 100% — Critical Fixes

- Critical fixes focus on adding tests for logic-heavy sections of the code, such as conditional branches, exception handling, and validation logic.
- These are the areas where code coverage is most important as they directly impact the reliability and behaviour of the application.

1. Identify Missing Branches:

The JaCoCo report shows that certain branches of the code in `ExamRegistry` and `StudentRegistry` are not fully tested, especially in cases involving exceptions or edge conditions.

Example Missing Branches:

- Null checks in `ExamRegistry.enrol()`.
- Edge case handling in `StudentRegistry.register()`.

2. Write Tests for Missing Branches:

Add tests that cover these branches by forcing the code to hit every conditional path.

Example: `ExamRegistryTest.java`

```
@Test
void enrol_NullExam_ShouldThrowException() {
    Exception exception = assertThrows(IllegalArgumentException.class,
        examRegistry.enrol(student, null));
    assertEquals("Student and Exam must not be null.", exception.getMessage());
}

@Test
void enrol_NullStudent_ShouldThrowException() {
    Exception exception = assertThrows(IllegalArgumentException.class,
        examRegistry.enrol(null, exam));
    assertEquals("Student and Exam must not be null.", exception.getMessage());
}
```

Example: `StudentRegistryTest.java`

```
@Test
void register_NullStudent_ShouldThrowException() {
```










```

        Exception exception = assertThrows(IllegalArgumentException.class,
            studentRegistry.register(null));
    });
    assertEquals("Student must not be null.", exception.getMessage());
}

```









3. Run Tests and Verify the Coverage:

com.example.studentregistry

Element	Missed Instructions	Cov.	Missed Branches	Cov.
App		0%		n/a
ExamRegistry		100%		87%
StudentRegistry		100%		100%
Student		100%		n/a
Exam		100%		n/a
StudentAlreadyRegisteredException		100%		n/a
InvalidScoreException		100%		n/a
Total	7 of 218	96%	2 of 20	90%

▼ Pushing Code Coverage to 100% — Critical Fixes

ExamRegistry

Element	Missed Instructions	Cov.	Missed Branches	Cov.
enrol(Student, Exam)		100%		100%
recordScore(Student, Exam, int)		100%		83%
isEnrolled(Student, Exam)		100%		75%
getScore(Student, Exam)		100%		n/a
ExamRegistry()		100%		n/a
Total	0 of 116	100%	2 of 16	87%

- **ExamRegistry** still has **missed branches** in its logic, even though the instructions are fully covered.
- Specifically, the branches within the `isEnrolled` and `recordScore` methods have missed some scenarios that need additional test coverage.

Here's how we can address these issues:

1. `isEnrolled` Method:

The **75% branch coverage** indicates there's a conditional flow that hasn't been fully tested. Let's add a few more to cover all permutations.

```

// Additional test for isEnrolled method
@Test
void isEnrolled_StudentNotEnrolled_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    Exam newExam = new Exam("ENG102", "English 102");
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, newExam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_ExamNotExist_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    Exam nonExistentExam = new Exam("SCI203", "Science 203");
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, nonExistentExam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_EmptyEnrollmentList_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    Exam newExam = new Exam("HIST203", "History 203");
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, newExam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_EmptyExamList_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    // Ensure there's no entry for this exam
    Exam newExam = new Exam("MATH104", "Mathematics 104");
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, newExam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_StudentEnrolled_ShouldReturnTrue() {
    examRegistry.enrol(student, exam); // Enroll the student
    assertTrue(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, exam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_ExamWithoutStudents_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    // No enrollment list for this exam
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, exam));
}

```



```

@Test
void isEnrolled_OtherStudentsEnrolled_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    Exam newExam = new Exam("ENG102", "English 102");
    // Enroll another student in this new exam
    examRegistry.enrol(new Student("S002", "Bob"), newExam);
    // Check if the original student is enrolled (they should not be)
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, newExam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_StudentIsEnrolled_ShouldReturnTrue() {
    examRegistry.enrol(student, exam);
    assertTrue(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, exam));
}

@Test
void isEnrolled_EmptyExam_ShouldReturnFalse() {
    // Check that the student is not enrolled in a new exam
    Exam newExam = new Exam("HIST203", "History 203");
    assertFalse(examRegistry.isEnrolled(student, newExam));
}

```

2. `recordScore` Method:

The **83% branch coverage** suggests there's still a path where the method is called without the necessary conditions (e.g., without the student being enrolled). Let's add a few more tests to cover all the permutations.

```

// Additional test for recordScore method
@Test
void recordScore_ZeroAndMaxScore_ShouldWork() throws Exception {
    examRegistry.enrol(student, exam);

    // Test for lower boundary (0)
    examRegistry.recordScore(student, exam, 0);
    assertEquals(0, examRegistry.getScore(student, exam));

    // Test for upper boundary (100)
    examRegistry.recordScore(student, exam, 100);
    assertEquals(100, examRegistry.getScore(student, exam));
}

```

```

    }

    @Test
    void recordScore_ValidBoundaryScores_ShouldWork() throws Exception {
        // Enroll the student
        examRegistry.enrol(student, exam);

        // Test boundary value of 0
        examRegistry.recordScore(student, exam, 0);
        assertEquals(0, examRegistry.getScore(student, exam));

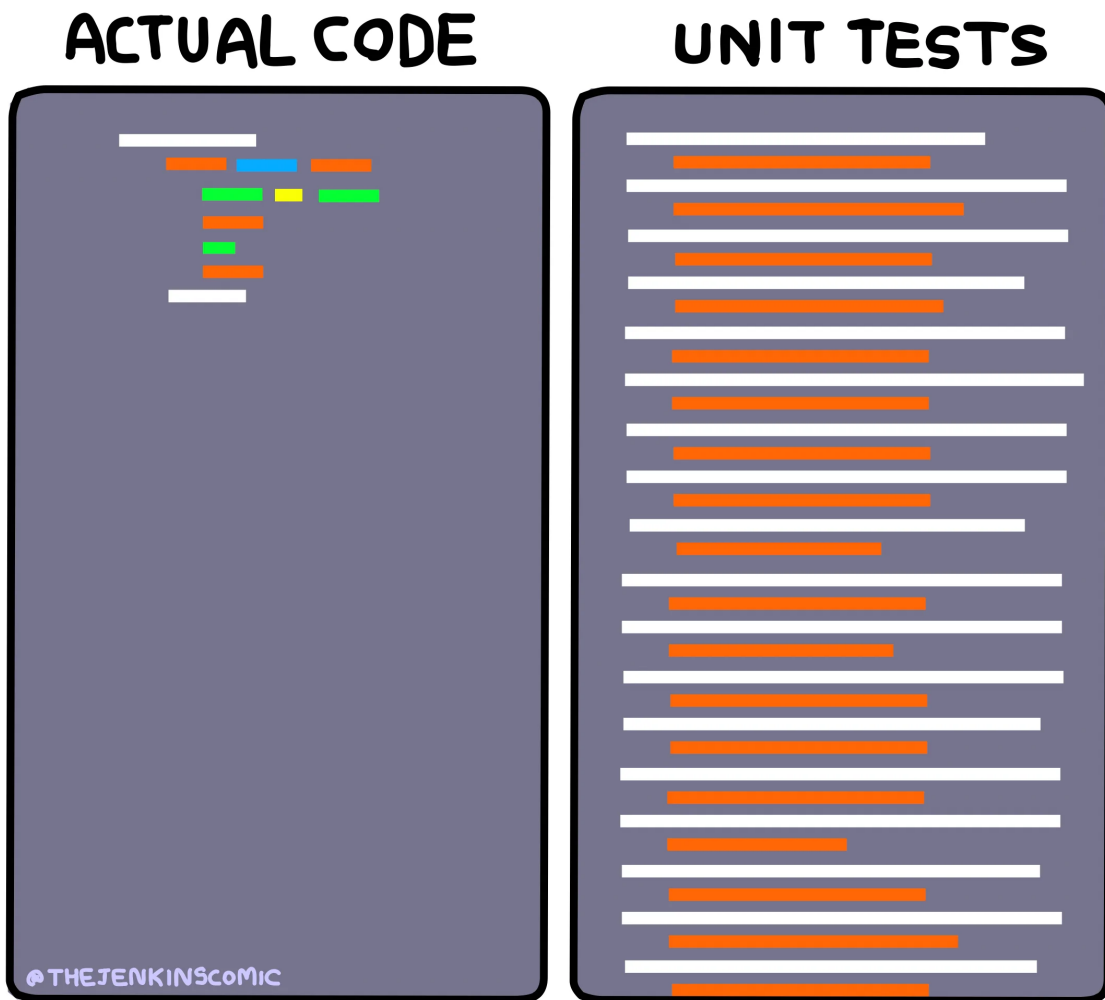
        // Test boundary value of 100
        examRegistry.recordScore(student, exam, 100);
        assertEquals(100, examRegistry.getScore(student, exam));
    }

    @Test
    void recordScore_NegativeScore_ShouldThrowException() throws Exception {
        // Enroll the student
        examRegistry.enrol(student, exam);

        // Test negative score
        Exception exception = assertThrows(InvalidScoreException.class, () -> {
            examRegistry.recordScore(student, exam, -1);
        });
        assertEquals("Score must be between 0 and 100.", exception.getMessage());
    }
}

```

▼ Best Practices



- While achieving 100% coverage is not always necessary, this exercise demonstrates how focusing on the **critical code paths** (such as handling invalid inputs or edge cases) can significantly improve the code's robustness.
- The key classes handling business logic (`ExamRegistry` and `StudentRegistry`) were critical to achieving better coverage.
 - Focus on edge cases that directly impact functionality, like boundary value testing and ensuring all control flow branches are covered.
- While testing trivial getters/setters (as in `Student` and `Exam` classes) is possible, our focus was on covering logic that directly affects application behaviour.
 - Although, non-functional classes (e.g., simple data holders) can be covered for completeness, they are not essential to the core functionality.

